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Statement on Assembly Floor Session

Madison, WI – Today, the State Assembly took up and passed [Assembly Bill 4](#), which allows Pharmacy Technicians to administer vaccines and makes it easier for pharmacy students to administer vaccines under certain conditions. Additionally, [Assembly Bill 5](#) was passed. Assembly Bill 5 attempts to reduce bureaucratic barriers currently hindering vaccine distribution in the state and requires individuals aged 60 and over to receive priority in vaccine distribution.

Representative Nancy VanderMeer (R-Tomah) supported both proposals. She released the following statement:

“As a member of the Assembly Committee on Health, I was happy to also support these bills earlier this week in committee. It makes a lot of sense to allow as many healthcare professionals as reasonably possible to be able to administer vaccines. There have been a number of challenges with the governor’s vaccine distribution plan or lack thereof. Assembly Bill 5 will help to reduce some of the bureaucratic burdens that are currently causing our state to be one of the worst in the nation for getting vaccines distributed. Prioritizing seniors, not criminals, makes a lot of sense too.

“As a number of folks are aware, there was talk of taking up a resolution to address the governor’s abuse of executive authority similar to what the Senate acted on earlier this week, but ultimately a decision was made to not take that up today.”

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The 70th Assembly District includes portions of Monroe, Jackson, Portage and Wood counties